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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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For: **IDENTIFICATION OF SEEDS OR
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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 8, 2007**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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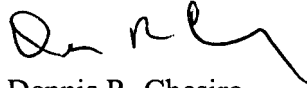
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of three months to and including September 8, 2007 in which to respond to the Office Action dated March 8, 2007. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of \$1020.00 to Deposit Account No. 08-3038/11898.0021.NPUS01 for a three-month extension of time. Should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason

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relating to the enclosed materials, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from the above deposit account.

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